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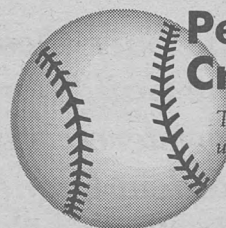
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D.C. offers students extended classroom

by Anaklara Hering
Hatchet Staff Writer

When sophomore Courtney Flick holds a hedgehog or an armadillo, the sophomore biology major knows she's getting an experience she won't receive in any classroom.

In fact, she said the hands-on training she gets twice a week as a keeper's aid at the National Zoological Park is equally valuable to her future in veterinary medicine as the hours she spends in school.

Eighty-four percent of GW undergraduates share Flick's drive to learn outside the classroom, according to a 1997 report by GW's office of enrollment research and retention.

About half the student body was

surveyed to examine the way GW undergraduates split time between academics, employment and leisure.

Survey results are presented in the report to help understand the dynamics of GW students and their connection with the D.C. community, said Cheryl Beil, director of enrollment research and retention.

"The purpose of the report is to get a sense of how students are spending their time. The report talks about the benefits, but also raises the concerns ... of students' (heavy) involvement in experiential learning, like internships, co-ops and volunteering," Beil said.

The report says four out of five undergraduates were involved in at

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courtesy of Courtney Flick
Sophomore Courtney Flick cradles an armadillo friend at the National Zoological Park, where she volunteers twice a week.

GW approves points to cover Mick's meals

by Becky Neilson
News Editor

Students will be able to use meal plan points to cover purchases they made at Mick's Restaurant last semester, GW Associate Vice President for Business Affairs Al Ingle said Wednesday.

The decision came after letters from the GWorld card office notified students last week they owed money for meals Mick's erringly charged to "meal plan points" instead of GWorld debit accounts.

The letter from GWorld Card Program Manager Michelle Neyers asked students to pay their balance with cash, check, credit card or funds from their debit accounts.

But according to the letter, students could not foot the unpaid bills with meal plan points – the tender they thought they were using when they ate at Mick's.

Strict regulations govern the use and tax status of meal plan points, restricting their use to on-campus dining facilities. Funds in GWorld debit accounts are taxable, and valid at on- and off-campus eateries.

Ingle said last week it is the University's policy "not to co-mingle the meal points and debit accounts."

But after heated student reaction to Neyers' letter, Ingle said the University decided to allow a one-time exception to its policy.

"Students thought they were using points – it's only right that we make an exception to allow them to do that," Ingle said.

Neyers said complaints to the GWorld card office died down at the end of last week, but she said the University formally will respond to about 10 of the letters it received from students and parents.

As University administrators work out the latest glitch in the infant GWorld program, plans for the next phase of the all-in-one card program are being finalized.

At last Friday's Board of Trustees' meeting, administrators announced plans to add The Burro, Capitol Grounds, DJ's Fastbreak and World Gourmet to the program. Ingle said the restaurants will accept funds from student debit accounts by April.

The program will include at least 10 off-campus eateries by the time students return in the fall, Ingle said.

Neyers and Ingle said the new off-campus partners will be connected to the University by modem, allowing instant access to the availability of students' debit funds.

The new system should eliminate the problem Mick's encountered last semester, Neyers said. Previously, off-campus merchants were required to manually check transactions against a printout to determine if a student had the funds to back up a purchase.

"They'll know immediately if (a student) doesn't have the debit funds to make a purchase," Neyers said. "This will be pretty much fool-proof."

Ingle said the University expects "100 percent accuracy" with the new modem system.

JEC ousts four Senate candidates

by Matt Berger
Asst. News Editor

The Joint Elections Committee removed four candidates from the race for Student Association Senate this week after they failed to attend a mandatory candidates' meeting.

The JEC – the organization that governs the upcoming campus elections – disqualified Mark Richman and Michael Pascal, both candidates for Elliott School of International Affairs seats.

Qasim Cheema, who was running to

represent the Columbian School of Arts and Sciences, and Lou Fantozzi, a candidate for the School of Business and Public Management seat, also were taken off the ballot.

Candidates have the right to appeal a sanction to the JEC. The JEC is required by its rules to make a decision on a candidate's appeal within two days of the appeal.

JEC Chair Terry Goddard said Fantozzi and Pascal filed appeals by the Wednesday night deadline.

"I haven't made a decision on these two appeal letters," Goddard said Wednesday. "I

will have to look into them in-depth."

Cheema said he was involved in a car accident Monday, which prevented him from attending the mandatory meeting.

Goddard said Wednesday afternoon he would put Cheema back on the ballot if the candidate could prove the accident occurred.

But Cheema also did not file an appeal with the JEC by the 5 p.m. deadline Wednesday, so Goddard said he is not eligible to be put back on the ballot.

Cheema said, however, he plans to

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Tuition hike leaves students wary

by Michelle McKenna
Hatchet Reporter

The tuition hike approved Friday by the University's Board of Trustees again has raised concerns about GW's financial decisions.

In the wake of last year's 6.9 percent increase, students advocated more communication between students and administrators, calling for student input into the University budget process.

Students say this year's lower increase is more acceptable, but they still are adamant in their push for involvement in University decision making.

"We put a list of our priorities (determined by a Student Association survey last fall) in front of the Board of Trustees, and we feel like they were responsive to what we wanted," undergraduate Sen. Jesse Strauss (CSAS) said.

"I think we should be kept in on exactly what the Trustees are thinking in the budget creation progresses, and we'd like to see a breakdown of exactly what percentage of our money goes where," said sophomore Mike Smith.

"I'm more against the principle of the increase than having to pay the actual money," freshman Shafkat Anwar said. "I want to know how the University will spend

the money. They should make more of an attempt to justify these increases, line by line."

"Are these just arbitrary, or what? From where I'm sitting now, it kind of seems that way," Anwar said.

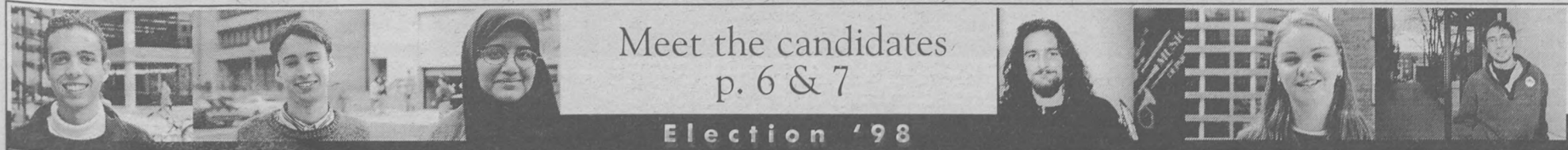
"There's really something wrong when 73 percent of the students we surveyed were dissatisfied with the school's spending. Our ultimate goal is to get that number down to 10 percent," Strauss said.

Senior Josh Fearnley will not be affected by the tuition increase, but he said it is "ridiculous for continuing students to have to pay five percent more considering what

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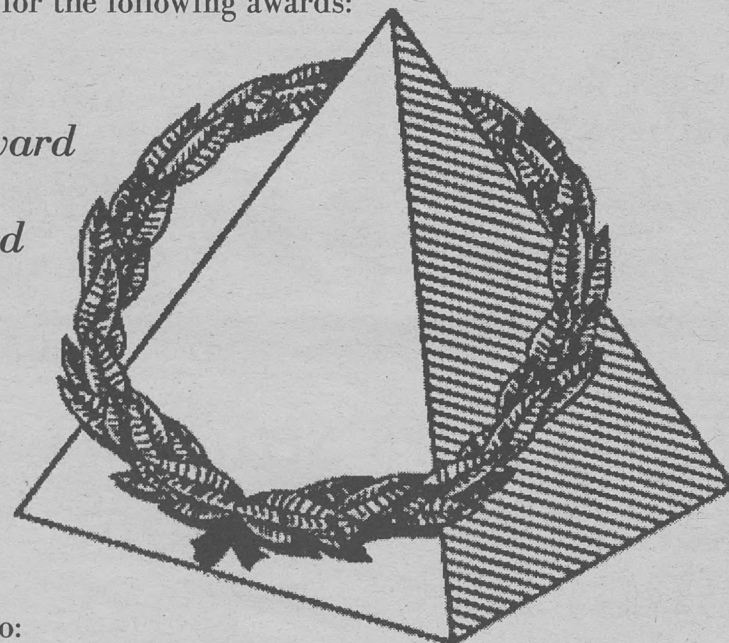
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Student Association presidential candidate Carrie Potter addresses student questions as opponent Patrick Macmanus watches.

CRs, CDs announce candidate picks

by Tammy Imhoff

Hatchet Staff Writer

The College Democrats and College Republicans picked their favorites for campus leadership positions at their annual endorsement hearing Monday.

Carrie Potter and Jesse Strauss won the CD endorsement for Student Association president and executive vice president. The group supported Mike Jewsbury for Program Board executive chair.

The CRs endorsed Patrick Macmanus for the SA's top spot and Jason Haber for the No. 2 position. The group supported Brian Nathanson for PB head.

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance, a co-sponsor of the hearing, endorsed no candidates.

Candidates answered questions from the audience about their platforms, motivations for seeking office and past experience.

One audience member asked the SA presidential candidates if the University-subsidized \$11,000 tuition stipend that goes along with the office would deter their ability to effectively advocate students issues to the administration.

Potter, Macmanus and Sabina Siddiqui said a stipend would not hinder their ability to work for students.

But fellow candidate Jason Ditzian disagreed.

"Maybe it does make a difference," Ditzian said. "Traditionally, from what I have seen, the SA president has done nothing and has always succumbed to the administration."

Candidates for SA executive vice president were asked to discuss their ability to fulfill campaign promises when they are elected to office.

"Just look at my record," said Strauss, a current Columbian School of Arts and Sciences senator. "I have worked to accomplish everything I said I would when I ran for senator last year. It's up to you to hold me accountable and I am up for the challenge."

Haber, also a Columbian School senator, stood behind his record as well.

"Last year at this very forum, I

stood here and talked about a program for renting cars at discounted prices and people in the front row laughed at me," Haber said. "This year we have a rental car discount program for GW students."

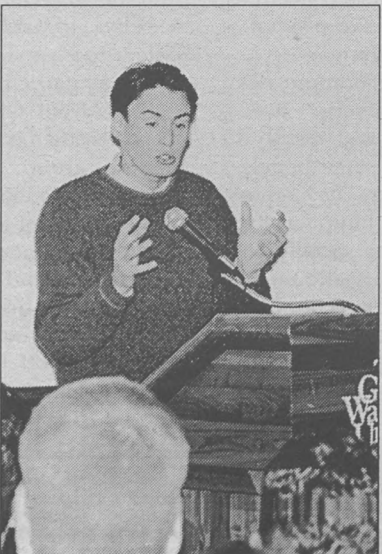
The candidates for undergraduate at-large also discussed their platforms. Each promised to work to improve freshman advising, and to advocate limited class sizes while still enabling students to take the classes they need to graduate on time.

The CRs endorsed Cat Sadler and Melanie Witte for the two undergraduate at-large seats. Amina Chaudary and Alan Elias were the CDs' picks for the at-large spots.

In addition to endorsing the three registered candidates in the Marvin Center Governing Board race - Andrew Benbasset-Miller, Scott Levi and Mike Petron - the CDs encouraged their members to support Meredith Shaller as a write-in candidate for the fourth MCGB seat.

The College Republicans issued no MCGB endorsements during Monday's hearing.

CD President Adam Segal said the group will inform its members of the endorsements by advertising in campus publications and sending an e-mail message to the CD membership list.



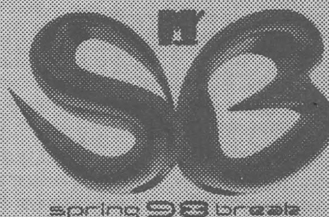
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Growing pains

The GWorld card saga continues. After an angry student reaction to the GWorld card office's decision to force students to pay – with cash, check or credit card – for Mick's employee mistakes, administrators have relented. Students will indeed be able to pay off last semester's meals at the off-campus restaurant with meal plan points. Hallelujah! It seems that the University administration listened to students and made the right decision. Was the whole episode somehow the result of El Niño?

At the same time the GWorld card office announced its benevolence, it also informed everyone that four new eateries (World Gourmet, The Burro, DJ's Fastbreak and Capitol Grounds) will join the GWorld universe by April. By next year, returning students will find a greatly expanded GWorld. At least 10 off-campus eateries will be part of the program, as well as all residence hall laundry facilities, the GW Bookstore, all University library copiers and GW parking. A market coordinator will be hired to further expand GWorld by enticing off-campus merchants to sign on. Yet some caution is necessary.

GWorld's credibility is in tatters. It was announced with much fanfare, only to get bogged down in technical and human problems that its supporters told everyone would not happen. Now the system is being touted as "fool-proof," but is it also "GW proof"? Students have suffered a significant loss of faith in GWorld. It was supposed to revolutionize the way GW students lived, but it came up a bit short. The GWorld office needs some serious public relations damage control.

The outcome of the Mick's snafu does boast several benefits for students. First, students did not have to pay for the mistakes of others. This is a welcome departure from past GW bureaucratic decisions. Second, hopefully the experiences have taught the GWorld folks how to improve their system and their dealings with GW students. Finally, with the GWorld card office making the right decision, it deprived all election contestants an issue to latch themselves onto and exploit for their benefit as much as possible. The GWorld deities seem to have responded to students' pleas. This, in addition to the relatively low tuition increase, makes us ask if wonders will ever cease? Must be El Niño.

Catch-22

The current dilemma in the Persian Gulf seems to perfectly illustrate the phrase "Catch-22." If the United States does indeed attack Iraq, it must choose between using the unpopular option of ground troops or a possibly ineffective air bombing campaign. On the other hand, if the United States does not attack Iraq, it suffers loss of face and a muddle of future policy – do we continue to contain Iraq, or do we let bygones be bygones and progress with a new Iraq policy? The United States finds itself in a quagmire with divided domestic opinions, contradictory official views and a generally non-supportive set of allies.

If the United States launches an air war against suspected Iraqi chemical and biological weapons production sites, it is questionable whether missile attacks would effectively destroy Saddam's production and storage facilities. This could leave Iraq in possession of these types of weapons – not a particularly good situation.

If the United States invades Iraq with ground troops, it would face tremendous domestic concern and pressure. Americans, for the most part, oppose the use of soldiers in a ground attack. Fear festers that those troops could be the first to discover whether or not Iraq does have weapons of mass destruction. The possibility of hundreds, if not thousands, of American casualties of a chemical or biological attack causes most people to cringe.

However, if the United States does not attack now, then when? How many deadlines will be given to Iraq, only to pass without any ramifications? How many lines in the sand will the United States draw each time saying, "I really mean it this time"? While diplomacy always is the preferred means of settling conflict, when is enough enough? What happens if Iraq repeatedly calls America's bluff? What then?

No easy solution exists for this current crisis. By attacking, we risk antagonizing our allies, significant casualties and a stalemate along the current lines. How long are we going to contain Saddam? Is it rational for the United States to expect that the genie of weapons of mass destruction can somehow be put back into its bottle and corked up forever? We have no solutions. The unnerving thing is that it seems our leaders don't, either.

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Letters to the Editor

Lighten up, Part II

This is in response to the letter to the editor entitled "Limited originality" in the Feb. 5 edition of The GW Hatchet (p.4). It appeared the writer was trying to put down the cartoonist, Rob, and his cartoon, "GW Fashions," from the Jan. 29 issue.

The writer claimed that upon seeing the cartoon he thought, "This sort of thing must be stopped, no one should get away with this garbage." And then he went on to sarcastically insult Rob's originality and give the tired stereotypes-keep-people-apart speech.

GW has diverse cultural groups and they tend to clump together. There is nothing wrong with the fact that we enjoy celebrating our

differences. But there is nothing wrong with poking a little fun at our differences either. The writer should lighten up. If you really read Rob's cartoon, you would notice that the large majority of his humor is directed at himself and toward his cultural group. This self-directed humor is the only humor that approaches being derogatory.

Rob suggested in his cartoon that Arabs on campus tend to wear black and drive more expensive cars than the rest of us. You admitted this stereotype exists and complained about the lack of originality in it, yet it is difficult to imagine how bitter your letter would have been if Rob had actually put the hours into observing, as you put it, "breakthrough campus stereotypes."

And secondly, is this Arab stereotype bad? How does this stereotype keep us apart? I have never heard anybody say they do not want to meet someone because they wear black and drive an expensive car. In fact, I am aware of several women looking for men with those characteristics.

Whites from rural America tend to wear flannel and jeans. Blacks from the cities tend to wear baggy clothes. Of course there are numerous exceptions, but to pretend to be blind to ethnic trends is ridiculous. Some stereotypes are in fact malicious, but to get uptight about every single one is ignoring reality. There comes a point where political correctness starts separating us more than it brings us together.

—Cynthia Cunningham
senior

Next SA leader must be in touch with average students and set 'real' goals

In the Feb. 9 edition of The GW Hatchet, Tryg Olsen mentions the need for a Student Association presidential candidate who has "realistic goals and doesn't exaggerate to the students in order to be elected" ("Valentine's Day rules, plus GW's own multi-faced man," p.2).

Yeah Tryg, that would be nice. Not only would a "real" candidate be nice, but GW needs an SA president who is going to approach student advocacy without any exaggeration. Unfortunately, the socialization structure of the current SA doesn't allow students who would advocate realistic goals any entrance into the primary organization of student governance. Though "Q" has tried extensively to open the doors of the SA for students and is very approachable, the SA remains a very closed social group.

The type of candidate who would set realistic goals would need to be a service-oriented student. The SA needs candidates who care for GW and its students, not the position at hand. The SA needs trench-workers – people who will roll up their sleeves and attack problems, rather than glibly discuss issues. The SA needs candidates who have been involved in the grassroots efforts of our University community. The SA needs candidates who have made an effort to find out the issues concerning "Joe Student" – not candidates who have pet issues they will further for personal accomplishment.

A service and community-oriented candidate, not a quasi-politician is the candidate the University needs. A person who has reached Tryg's stage seven of Valentine's Day is not the product of some hopeless fantasy. These fantasy people exist at GW. They assume roles of service work and expect nothing for their efforts. GW students are well known as socially conscious individuals involved in community and university work ranging from the Neighbors Project to Circle K.

A close friend in the SA once told me SA elections are cut-throat – "You have to want the position very badly and be willing to basically quit school for the

whole campaign month." The elections become the life of the candidates. It thus manages to maintain its status as a closed social system. Why would a student who wants to get involved go through all that trouble when he can work for the University at different levels?

The real people, the ones who want to see things done, don't waste their time with SA elections. They don't come in freshman year with the personal goal of becoming the school's president. We need to grab someone off the streets; someone who is a student; someone who is involved and knows the issues. No one would better represent our issues as students.

Sincere candidates would raise the SA above the political arena that it has assumed and bring it back to the students. The SA is for students. Advocacy has been "Q's" role since he took the presidency. Students currently involved have followed his example, but there is still more work to be done. "Joe Student" has an advantage over the SA socialites in that he has experienced GW life from the "outside."

"Joe's" involvement in the various aspects of GW life allows him an open field of vision to note the wide diversity on this campus. He can and will approach students not only through the established channels of the mainstream groups. He will approach all groups from the University singers, to the College Democrats, to Hillel, to GW ROTC to the Philippine Cultural Society to Kappa Sigma. He must recognize all these groups as participants of this University and the only channels from which the SA finally can achieve the support system it needs to become more effective as an advocacy group.

We have to look at the candidates this year and see if they are going to continue the precedent "Q" has set as student advocate. Why not "Joe Student"? I'm sure if we asked him to do it he would run. That's just the way he is. The question is who is going to make every sincere effort to see change happen. Only when we pick that student off the street can GW go beyond stage seven: fantasy and role-playing.

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Disrespecting the U.S. flag is a right, but is wrong

Even though I may not understand the reasons behind some forms of expression, I am a firm believer in the Constitutional right to free expression. Thus, the act of desecrating our country's flag I cannot condemn in so far as it is free expression.

On the evening of Jan. 29, during the Recess performance that preceded the David Spade show at the Smith Center, the U.S. flag repeatedly was dragged on the floor and finally left to lie on the floor, only to be picked up almost as an afterthought.

I believe that what was done was wrong and that those who did it showed utter contempt for what the flag represents.

The flag of the United States represents many different things to many different people.

To me, it represents our people and the principles embodied in our Constitution. Americans have spilled their blood by the thousands to defend the Constitution and the people of the United States. They did so believing the flag they followed embodied all for which they fought. Therefore, in deference alone to the dead, the flag should be shown proper respect.

In addition, I believe that the flag represents such Constitutional rights as free expression. It repre-

sents the very rights that those who desecrate it are expressing.

I have lived a good portion of my life overseas in several countries and I have visited many more. From my own experience, I can assert that in no other country I have visited does the national flag hold so much symbolism as it does here. Drive through any American city and you will see our flag everywhere, on gas stations, car dealerships, sports arenas, malls, banks, restaurants, houses, etc. The flag is part of the essence of what it means to be American. It is the people's flag, not the government's.

Lastly, I am foreign-born (naturalized), of parents who were French and Turkish, yet I have come to love that which makes America unique. And for me, all that America is is embodied in our flag. Our Constitution, our varied culture, our history, our failings, our moments of glory, essentially all those things which identify us as Americans are in our flag.

To see the flag desecrated is like a gratuitous blow to my heart. I can not fathom why any American would want to harm it, and I take serious offense with those who dishonored it in the skit.

—The writer is a sophomore majoring in international affairs.

Axel Steiner

Some musings about GW buildings

Instead of buying Mount Vernon College, why couldn't Trachtenberg and our intrepid Board of Trustees (read: a bunch of really important people to our school, but no one really knows why) have bought a cooler school in a cooler place? Like the University of Miami, or UC-San Diego. We'd all be signing up to live in the dorms there. I'd be willing to commute.

Let's consider good old GW for a moment. Yes, I know you don't like to, but stay with me. This is a pretty diverse campus — I'm not talking about the people (Rob already covered that area, besides, I'm allergic to black puffy vests and jackets). I'm talking about the climates. No, really.

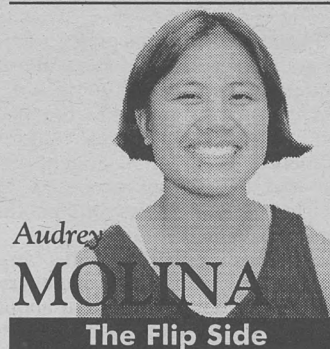
For example, take any residence hall — the average temperature in these buildings is oh, about 500 degrees Fahrenheit. The only way to have some sort of normal temperature in which your flesh doesn't melt off your body (attractive thought, isn't it) is to open all your windows, turn on the air conditioning all the way and sit around with ice packs on your body.

However, in the older dorms like Madison, the radiators are perfect for making s'mores on. This is a true story. I recommend using a pan and not putting them directly onto the radiator. That would be gross.

Then, there's Norma Lee and Morton Funder Hall. Not only does this building have the coolest name, it has no air circulation whatsoever. A friend of mine described it saying,

"It's Funder Hall — they like you to think that you're in hell." And hell it is, but without the actual fire and brimstone.

However, if you are in a classroom in which the window has mysteriously opened somehow, then you must bring all the cold weather gear you own to class. Once a window has been opened, the only way to close it again is to put several hundred pounds of something heavy against it (say, a desk, a freshman or your average chemistry text book).



Audrey MOLINA
The Flip Side

Speaking of chemistry, Corcoran Hall is where all those crazy science people spend their time. That building is about zero degrees Kelvin. It's been a while since I had a class there (astronomy — a real thriller), but the place is like Antarctica. I heard it was super temperature controlled so that mad scientists won't blow themselves up as easily. That would be kind of cool though, maybe we'd get another holiday from school.

Computer labs are also interesting

little ecosystems. I like to compare the computer labs to the planet Venus. First of all, they are crazy hot. Damn hot. Real hot. I've sweated off several pounds in those rooms when I'm writing a paper.

Secondly, since it's so hot, and I'm sweating, the next person is sweating and the person next to them is sweating. During midterms or finals, when everyone's writing papers, we're talking about a seriously toxic atmosphere. Don't pretend not to know what I'm talking about — it's true. Computer labs are among the unhappiest places on earth.

Many more places like this exist on campus. I'd list more, but, hey, I'm lazy and don't really care enough to wander the campus. I much prefer to sit around my room under the air conditioning.

I am convinced that El Niño can successfully be blamed as the cause to all problems in life, and not just the weather. Didn't do the reading for class? El Niño. Boyfriend/girlfriend broke up with you? El Niño. Valentine's Day? El Niño. Saddam Hussein being a jerk? El Niño.

I know I'm onto something. I also think that, although El Niño is fun to say, it should have a cooler name. I mean El Niño — that's "boy" in English. Boring. How about *El Gringo* (stupid American), or *El Pollo* (chicken)? My personal favorite — *La Cucaracha* (Monica Lewinsky).

Yea — I made it through a whole column without taking cheap shots at the Olympics. It's just so darn easy.

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1998 Elections

Macmanus seeks simple solutions

SA senator says he will 'ruffle feathers' in the administration

by Matt Berger
Asst. News Editor

Patrick Macmanus has been a student leader since he stepped onto GW's campus.

"I really do have an undying love for leadership," he said. "Going out there and trying to make lives better."

Macmanus served as Mitchell Hall president his freshman year, directed the Student Association's Campus Spirit Initiative last year and currently represents undergraduates as an SA senator.

The SA presidency, he says, is the next logical step.

"I want to give back to GW what it's given to me," Macmanus said. "I believe public service is the best way to get things done."

Macmanus' platform promises "real solutions" and he says he is proud of his record of helping students.

"I have done everything I said I would do," he said.

As the SA's go-to-guy for campus spirit, Macmanus helped create the first GW CD and brought Colonial Madness to campus.

In the Senate, he worked to obtain approval for a University health and wellness center from the city's Board of Zoning Adjustment. And he has lobbied for improved Smith Center facilities until the new wellness center is built.

Macmanus says he hopes such efforts will help foster "a sense of place" in GW students.

"I believe if we focus on the problems and get results, students will feel better about the University," he said.

Macmanus' platform touches upon student concerns about Commencement, tuition, student services and technology, problems to which he says he believes simple solutions exist.

"I might be going in to this very naive," he said. "But I believe every one of these things, if thought about enough, is easily accomplished."

"I've seen that people bring prob-

lems to the forefront, but that's half the battle. The other half is getting things done," he said.

Macmanus says he believes institutional flaws exist in the SA and he said he has ideas to improve the structure of the organization - including cutting down on the number of people involved in the organization.

"There needs to be more direct communication between the cabinet and the president," he said. "I really don't think the president knows what's going on. It's too big."

Macmanus says he will work alongside the administration, but if those cooperative efforts fail, he said he is willing to go to University's administrators with students' demands.

"Being president should be walking a fine line," he said. "I believe that it is nearly impossible to get things done without ruffling the feathers of the administration."

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Patrick Macmanus

Haber, Strauss battle for Senate's top spot

CSAS senators look to redefine the SA in race for EVP

by Tammy Imhoff
Hatchet Staff Writer

Jason Haber and Jesse Strauss have spent this year working side by side as Student Association senators.

They now face each other in the race for SA executive vice president.

Haber, a junior political communication major from Jericho, N.Y., currently represents the Columbian School of Arts and Sciences and serves on the Senate's Student Life Committee.

In his three years at GW, he has performed in a theater group created by the Black People's Union and Hillel and served

prompting him to run for the Senate seat he now holds.

As a senator, Haber worked with local car rental agencies on a program that allows GW students under 21 to rent cars at reduced prices.

Haber said he hopes to use the success of the car rental program as a model for his proposed "Colonial Card" - a project that would offer GW students discounts at local businesses. Area businesses like La Prima and the Froggy Bottom Pub already have expressed interest in the card, Haber said.

Haber said programs like the Colonial Card are part of his vision for the Senate - he wants the organization to move from merely passing bills to providing services.

"The SA should be here to help the students. We can pass 500 bills and it is possible that not one of those bills will affect a student at GW," Haber said. "Bills don't affect students - programs do."

Haber said his platform also includes a plan for establishing toll-free access to the

GW touch-tone registration system and the creation of a student organization newsletter.

Strauss, a junior political science major from Queens, N.Y., is also a CSAS senator and chairs the Senate's Student Life Committee.

His SA involvement began last year when

former SA President Damian McKenna named Strauss chair of the organization's Dining Services Commission.

A founding member of Students Against

Yearly Increases in Tuition (SAYIT) - formed in the wake of last year's tuition increase - Strauss recently has worked on a bill that, if passed, will create an SA tuition action director.

Strauss said the tuition director will advocate students' concerns about the amount of future tuition increases and the University's spending priorities.

Strauss said he sees the office of EVP as a forum to help students "take ownership" of the University.

"We have to take ownership of the University, and in order to do that we have to change the way we think of the SA. The SA has to start acting more as a community group," Strauss said.

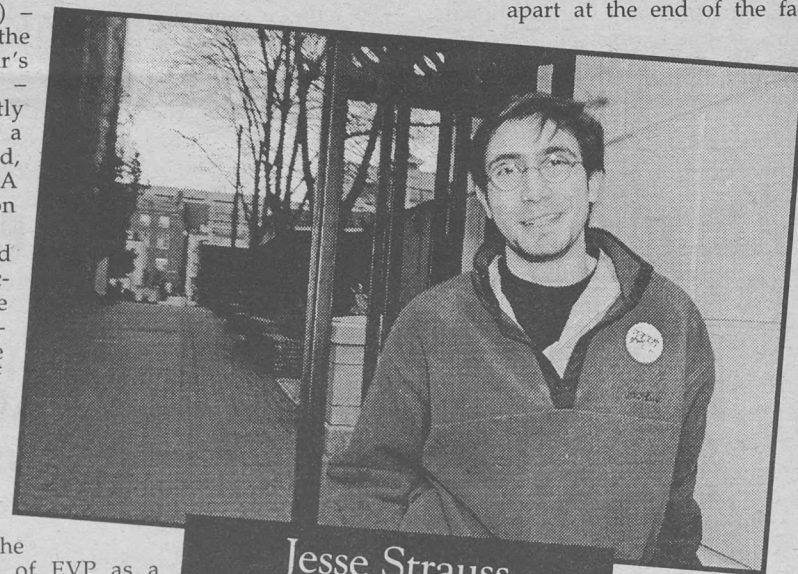
"The SA is an association, it is not a government. We advocate on behalf of students," he said.

Strauss' platform includes continued emphasis on spending priorities and tuition. He said he also advocates improved dining services, attention to academic issues like advising and class size, increased on-campus technology and better student services.

Haber said last semester he had planned to

run for SA president. In fact, Haber and Strauss said they had planned to run as a ticket - Haber for SA president and Strauss for EVP.

But Haber said that after the alliance fell apart at the end of the fall



Jesse Strauss

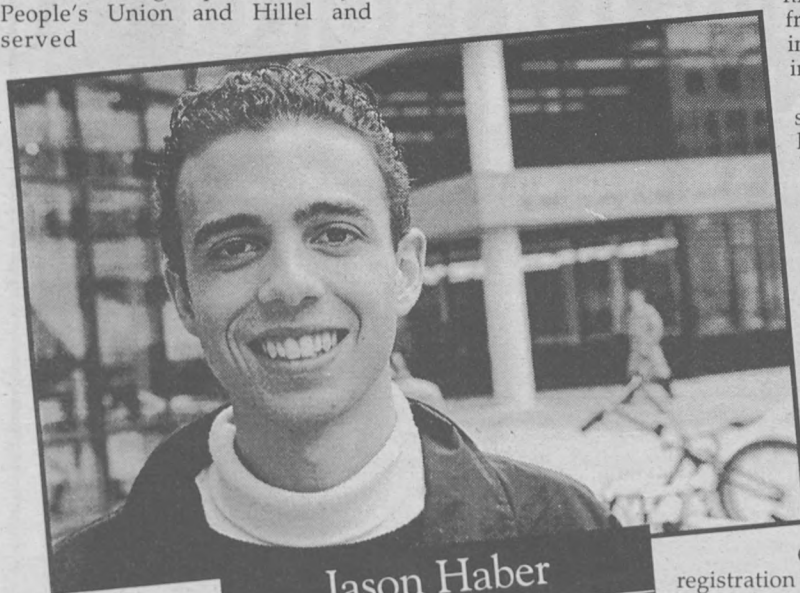
semester, he began to feel his supporters were losing confidence in his campaign. After re-examining his goals, he changed his plans.

"I looked at my goals for next year and I felt that I could accomplish them as EVP," Haber said.

While the candidates disagree about exactly what broke up their alliance, both insist that past differences will not affect the race.

"I won't make an issue out of it," Haber said. "It is all water under the bridge."

"It doesn't do anyone any good to have a nasty race because that just distracts us from talking about the issues," Strauss said.



Jason Haber

on the Program Board's Political Affairs Committee.

But Haber said last year's 6.9 percent tuition increase sparked his interest in the SA,

"I go where I am needed. I make an effort to take on the issues ... I can look at the SA from the students' perspective."

-Sabina Siddiqui

"Being president should be walking a fine line. I believe that it is nearly impossible to get things done without ruffling the feathers of the administration."

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-Carrie Potter

1998 Elections

Ditzian takes on SA 'elitism'

Junior musician and writer touts 'honest' presidential campaign

by Becky Neilson
News Editor

Jason Ditzian won't be plastering campus with posters listing his credentials – he says he doesn't have the money to spend on fancy ads or palmcards.

And he's not running on a lengthy platform of campaign promises – he says his campaign will speak for itself.

He is in the race for Student Association president, he says, to send a message: He's ready to take on what he calls "elitism" in the SA.

"I'm running to make a statement against an SA that has done nothing for regular students like me," Ditzian said.

As a "regular student," the junior biology major from Wayland, Mass. has dabbled in his share of activities on campus. He is a writer and a

musician – he plays the saxophone in three student bands, writes for *Independence Magazine* and is an active member of GW's creative writing community.

And it's "regular students" Ditzian says he hopes to reach with his campaign; students like him who want a break from what he perceives as an inaccessible student government.

"I want to reach the people in student groups that the SA has basically forgotten," Ditzian said. "There are the musicians, the writers, the people at the campus papers. I want all the kids who never vote to be able to seriously consider me."

Ditzian does not have lofty goals for the SA if he wins its top spot; he says his election would speak volumes.

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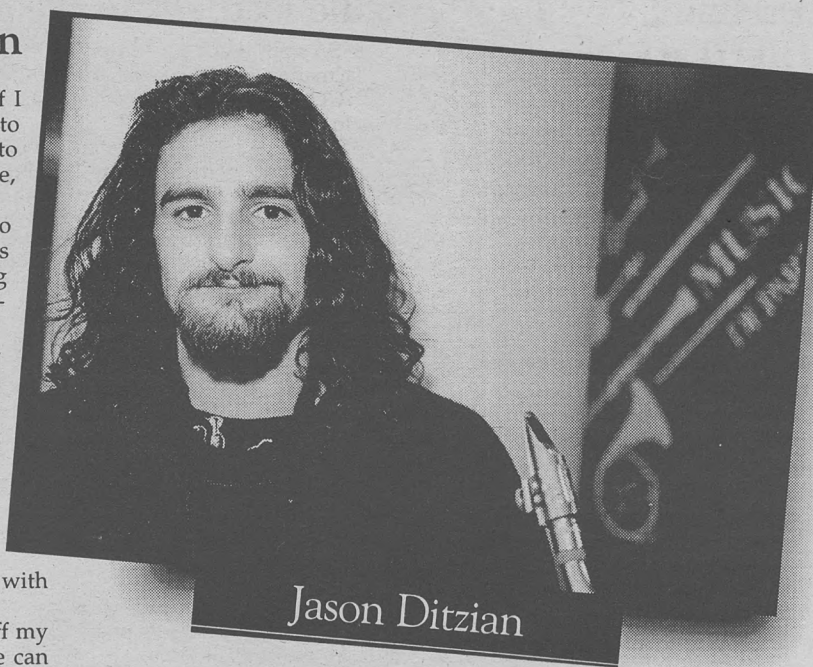
isfaction out there," he said. "If I win, the organization is going to change itself. People are going to see how fed up the students are, and things will change."

But Ditzian still has two weeks to campaign, and he says he prides himself in running "what is possibly the only honest campaign in history."

He's planning no fancy electioneering – maybe some music, quite possibly some crayon-drawn posters and leaflets.

Crayons? Sure, Ditzian says. He is not about to spend a lot of money on the campaign. In fact, he says part of his reason for running is the \$11,000 stipend that goes along with the SA presidency.

"I need the money to pay off my loans," he said. "I think people can relate to that."



Jason Ditzian

Potter vows persistent advocacy

Undergraduate at-large senator urges new solutions to old problems

by Jason Filkins
Hatchet Reporter

Student Association presidential candidate Carrie Potter makes a distinction between politics and community service – she says she is more interested in the latter.

"I don't like the word politics. I hope I never get involved in politics," Potter said. "You could poster 'till you die, but if students don't feel comfortable with you, it doesn't matter."

Potter, a junior sports management major from Nebraska, is an undergraduate-at-large senator and also chairs the Senate's Academic Affairs Committee.

This is not Potter's first tour of duty in the SA, though – she was a Columbian School of Arts and Sciences senator last year. She has been active in other campus activities as well; she was a

Residence Hall Association representative for Thurston Hall and coordinated Colonial Inauguration last summer.

Potter says academic issues are central to her platform.

She says she would like to see more comprehensive advising – especially in the Columbian School – and she advocates moving some of the CSAS freshman advising workshops to the residence halls.

"There are a lot of simple things we can do to make things better. Not spending a lot of money to bring in all these new advisers, but in some cases just using the resources we have," Potter said.

Potter also supports limiting the number of students admitted to GW to decrease class sizes, and re-evaluating English fluency requirements and training of teaching assistants.

But Potter says her biggest task if she is elected will not be to introduce revolutionary new programs or

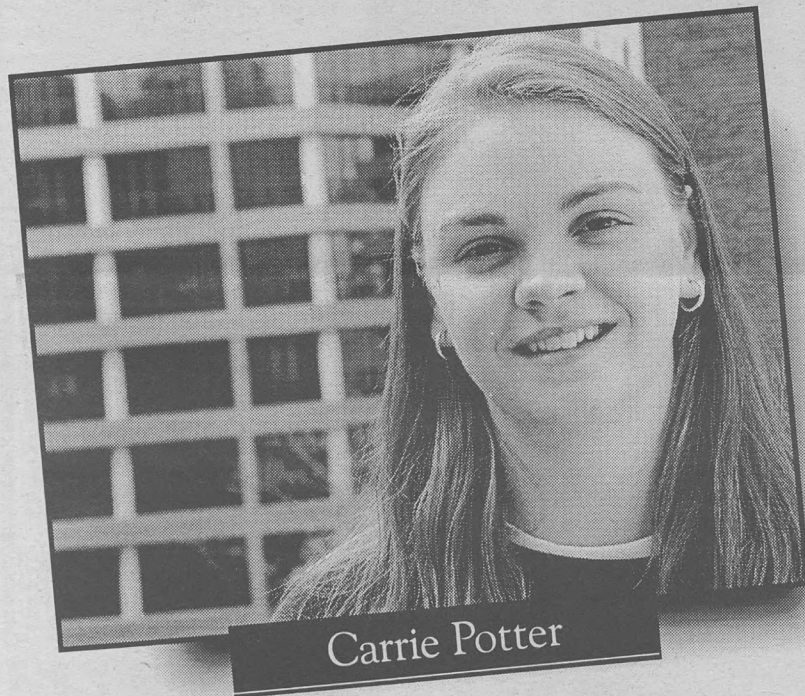
induce monumental changes in the system.

Instead she vows to remain persistent and keep pushing the administration to make good on existing plans.

"I couldn't come out and say I'm going to promise you this or that because it's not really right. Promising things is like instilling a false hope in students ... What our job as leaders should be is to keep pushing the administration to follow through," Potter said.

Potter says she believes the best way to produce new solutions to old problems is to increase communication between students and administrators year-round, not just before a major event or decision.

"We need to start saying, 'I'm tired of sitting on the floor of my economics lecture,'" Potter said. "We need to start talking about things earlier and really representing them to the administration."



Carrie Potter

Siddiqui rallies grassroots support

'Unique' presidential campaign focuses on untapped constituency

by Stacey Felsen
Hatchet Staff Writer

She has laughed off nay-sayers' underestimation of her "outsider" pursuit of the Student Association presidency, but Sabina Siddiqui refuses to joke about one GW myth.

"You can't be an underdog forever," said Siddiqui, a junior who aspires to practice neurosurgery.

Siddiqui's platform hinges on grassroots campaigning, and reaching out to students and campus organizations to find the issues she should address in her agenda.

Siddiqui says she will run a unique campaign – and that she hopes to tap into previously untouched student groups.

"That perception (that she is an

underdog) is because I am dealing with a base of students who have never been dealt with before," Siddiqui said.

Siddiqui gained political experience working on current SA President Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar's campaign. She says that experience inspired her to follow Golparvar's footsteps and continue his work on a broader level.

She says she hopes to take GW to that next level by making the SA an effective advocacy tool. Siddiqui says she envisions long-term changes for the SA, ranging from making student leaders more accessible to revamping the student allocations process which funds campus organizations.

"I can look at the SA ... from the students' perspective," Siddiqui said.

Siddiqui notes her involvement with the SA's Dining Services Commission, her job tutoring in the D.C. Reads program and her role in creating the Interfaith Council.

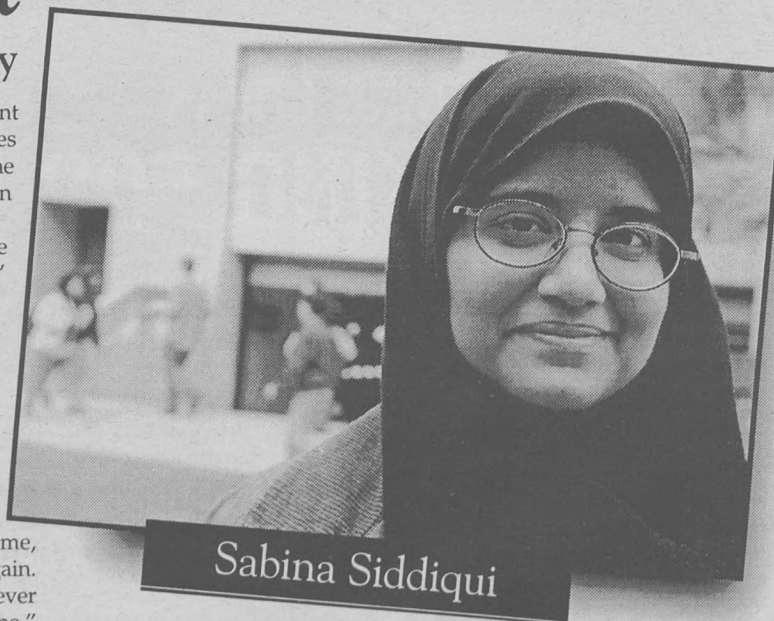
"I go where I am needed. I make an effort to take on the issues," Siddiqui said.

As her campaign slogan asserts, Siddiqui can say one thing the other presidential candidates can't – Sabina has "SA" in her name.

The slogan was just "too funny to let go," she said.

And despite the involuntary political inclination of her name, Siddiqui set the record straight – again.

"I am not the political type. I never have been and never will be," Siddiqui said.



Sabina Siddiqui

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appeal to the JEC. But he will not appeal to get back on the ballot for a Senate seat — he will run for the Marvin Center Governing Board at-large position.

"He would have to test the (Student) Court's jurisdiction and take us to court," Goddard said.

Richman, who also did not appeal, said problems with public transportation prevented him from attending the meeting.

Goddard said Richman's excuse was unacceptable.

Richman said he understood the JEC's reasoning.

"It sounds relatively fair," Richman said. "If you don't show up to the meeting then you shouldn't be on

the ballot."

The JEC also ousts candidates who have amassed \$50 in fines. The JEC fines candidates who have violated JEC rules by distributing unapproved literature, failing to comply with election regulations or campaigning in various areas on campus.

Candidates put down a \$50 deposit from which fines are deducted. Any remaining funds are returned to the candidates at the end of the election.

Goddard said fines have been mounting quickly this campaign season.

"In one evening, we fined 13 people a total of \$130 in fines," he said.

Goddard said the most common fine is for handing out material which has not been approved by the JEC and

for campaigning in residence halls.

Rule violations must be submitted in writing to the JEC, and Goddard said it is sometimes difficult to determine the legitimacy of a violation report because they are often submitted by opposition campaign workers.

"It certainly creates a level of skepticism," Goddard said. "I spend a lot of time investigating."

Students continue advocacy for input

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this University offers sometimes. It's part of the reason why people don't come here."

Fearnley said he does not think incoming and returning students should pay different increases.

The recent creation of an SA tuition action director and more student surveys will provide two ways the administration can be apprised of student concerns, Strauss said.

Shannon Dooley, a high school senior from Cary, N.C., said the yearly tuition increases will not change her decision to attend GW in the fall.

"When you get to the \$25,000 range, it seems like \$2,000 here or there just doesn't make that big a difference," Dooley said. "I mean, we'll be in

debt for the rest of our lives anyway, regardless of whether the raise is two percent or 12 percent."

But sophomore Kevin Rubin said he feels a GW education may not be worth his tuition dollars.

"The classrooms aren't the best and neither are the facilities in general," he said.

"I don't think my tuition should go to pay for people in Francis Scott Key Hall to get cable and Internet access," added Rubin, who lives off campus.

"(Tuition increases) are coming so close together. We normally get them every two years, but two in a row is a bit much," sophomore Danielle Storey said. "I think that if the University were more honest with us in their intentions, we'd be more receptive to this."

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His boys pound the court, but Mike Jarvis is the brains behind the game

by **Tyson Trish**

Editor in Chief

Eight years ago, Mike Jarvis' trademark crouched stance, calm demeanor and winning ways were unfamiliar to Foggy Bottom — as was a winning basketball program.

But today the coach of the GW men's basketball team has carved a spot as a respected member of the GW community. And with good reason. Jarvis-led basketball teams at GW never have finished a season below .500. They have appeared in three NCAA tournaments, including one Sweet 16 appearance in 1994.

Mike Jarvis grew up near Boston. In high school, he competed both on the field and in the classroom.

"I was very fortunate to have a mom who worked two to three jobs so her kids could go to school and play sports," he says.

In those days baseball was Jarvis' favorite sport. "You always like what you are the best at better," he reasons. But when he enrolled at nearby Northeastern University, Jarvis switched sports.

During college, Jarvis earned three letters for basketball and one for baseball. "At that time there were not as many opportunities for baseball players," he explains.

Jarvis' Northeastern life was a busy one. In addition to playing two sports, he worked as a fry cook at his brother's fish and chips restaurant.

"No one can fry clams better than I do," Jarvis boasts. But his future held more than cuisine.

During his college years, Jarvis developed an affinity for teaching — something that sticks with him today. After much consideration, he decided to teach on the basketball court.

Determined to become a coach, Jarvis threw himself into learning the ropes. After each practice and game, he transcribed new plays and drills into a notebook.

After graduating, Jarvis returned to home to teach high school physical education. Jarvis taught 17 years worth of P.E. classes while also working as an assistant coach for multiple programs.

His first college position was as assistant coach at his alma mater, Northeastern. A few years later, he moved to Harvard. He left a trail of success stories, and he quickly became one of Massachusetts' most respected coaches.

After nine years of assistant coaching, Jarvis jumped in the ranks to take the head spot at Rindge and Latin. "I went from college to high school," he says.

Jarvis proved himself at Rindge and Latin, posting an admirable 143-21 record. In 1981 Jarvis' team soared to the second spot in the national rankings behind center and soon-to-be NBA star Patrick Ewing.

"I don't believe things happen by accident," Jarvis says. "God sent (Ewing) to me." This



photo by Tyson Trish/editor in chief

team dodged losses, and at the end of a triumphant season, Massachusetts honored Jarvis with his third consecutive high school coach of the year award. Jarvis would earn this honor once more before leaving the high school court.

Jarvis then returned to the college ranks, accepting the head coach position at Boston University.

Success followed Jarvis to BU, where he tallied a 101-51 record. He became the University's all-time winningest coach and only 100-game winner, surpassing current Boston Celtics coach Rick Pitino.

In 1988, Jarvis recruited his only son to play guard for the Terriers.

"I tried not to be tougher on him than the others, but sometimes a son can take things you say the wrong way," Jarvis says. But time with his son was cut short when Jarvis accepted the head spot at GW. Mike Jarvis II is now an assistant coach for GW.

Bob Chernak, vice president for Student and Academic Support Services, says GW looked for a coach able to build a winning program. Jarvis' winning records and academic reputation fit GW's profile.

"We wanted to be a perennial top-40 program and periodically be better than top 40," Chernak says. "Mike Jarvis was the kind of coach who could build a program with integrity."

The Colonial basketball team Jarvis inherited in 1990 lacked history and a future. Two years before Jarvis rescued the program, the

Colonials defeated only one of their 28 opponents, the University of Massachusetts.

Defeating UMass is a common theme for the Jarvis-led Colonials. Jarvis' teams knocked off a No.1-ranked UMass and a No.5-ranked UMass while President Clinton watched from Smith Center bleachers. Jarvis recounts these wins among his favorite memories. But he insists that "just beating UMass in general" is great, with or without presidential cheers.

Quoting a long list of gigantic GW wins, Jarvis highlights his first victory at as the most memorable, especially after losing his regular season debut to Loyola, Md. in 1990.

"In the minds of those who hired me, (winning) hopefully becomes a reality, but the pressure to win does not bother me," Jarvis told reporters in 1990. "The only thing that people have to understand is, yes, miracles do happen. But normally when things happen, they take time. This program realistically will not evolve overnight."

But ever since Jarvis grabbed the Colonial helm his teams have floated above .500 and developed an impressive history for GW to call its own.

On the other end of the spectrum, Jarvis recalls losing to Iowa in the first round of the 1996 NCAA Tournament as the most devastating defeat of his GW career. His team started the game slow and fell behind by 17, but under the leadership of seniors Kwame Evans and Vaughn Jones, GW reversed fortunes and took a 17-point lead. But higher-seeded Iowa upset the game.

"I wanted the seniors to go out winners, and they did," Jarvis said. But GW did not. The team finished their most successful season in 41 years with a heartbreaking 79-81 score. The Colonials have yet to return to the NCAA Tournament.

"I mentioned at the end that the game is one of fundamentals," Jarvis said in an interview following the loss.

Jarvis says talking with his players after losing games is one of the harder parts of his job. "I usually don't say the right things," Jarvis says. "I should have said how proud I was."

"In coaching you can't dwell on the bad things," he adds. "You must forget them and move on."

Junior Forward Yegor Mescherichov from Belarus calls Jarvis a very calm coach who points out what went wrong and why, but said that when he first came to the United States he did not know enough English to understand Jarvis' advice.

"When I first came over I did not understand what he was saying all the time," Mescherichov confesses.

Today the Colonials are 20-6, parading off to their best start in 44 years. Currently listed in all the national polls, the team is considered a lock to return to the NCAA Tournament.

The team's national attention has made Jarvis a hot commodity. It seems every time a job opens, Jarvis' name is mentioned. Although his future remains to be seen, Jarvis says he wants to stay in Foggy Bottom — at least for a few more years. His contract runs to the millennium.

"I have every intention and hope of being here for a long time, but things change," Jarvis says. "It is a very tenuous job without tenure. Very rarely do coaches stay a long time."

For now, Jarvis claims he is not moving toward the NBA. He would go, though, "if offered Rick Pitino kind of money."

Meanwhile, GW smiles on the coach who led the program to success. "The proof is in the pudding," Chernak says. "The banners in the Smith Center are tangible evidence."

Jarvis also has put down roots through D.C. community service. He leads a summer camp called Shoot Straight, and works with Coaches vs. Cancer. "When you are given much, you've got to give more," Jarvis points out.

Still a teacher at heart, Jarvis enjoys shaping the careers of his assistant coaches and players. "Try to do it the right way, be honest with yourself and the team," runs his familiar advice to coaching hopefuls. "You must give them as much as you are expecting in return."

As GW rolls through a fabulous season, Jarvis says the future only promises improvement.

"No matter how good you are," he says, "you can always be better."

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WEEKEND

Wayans' brother demonstrates talent

NOAH RUDERMAN
WEEKEND WRITER

What would it be like for someone to have their senses heightened to the extreme? That is the question asked in *Senseless* (Dimension Films), a hilarious new comedy starring Marlon Wayans (*The Sixth Man*).

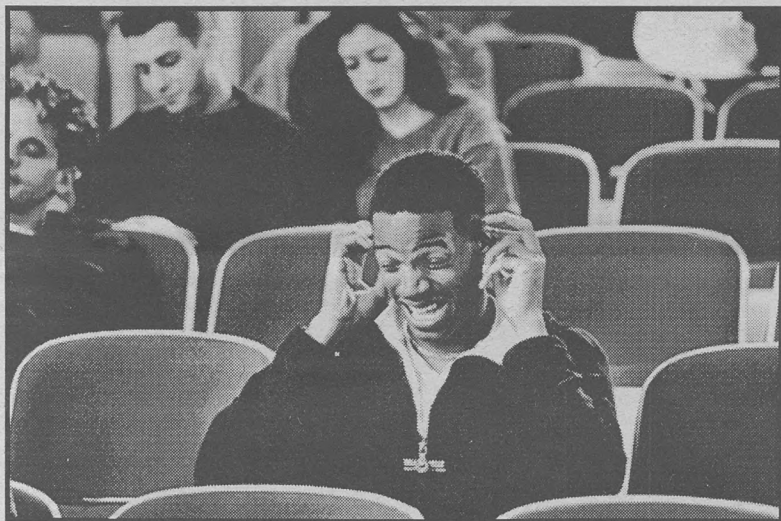
Wayans may have started his career with a tad of nepotism, but if this film is any indication, his name soon will be mentioned

without reference to his brothers. With his boyish charm and unwavering innocence, Wayans demonstrates considerable potential at both physical comedy and sincere acting.

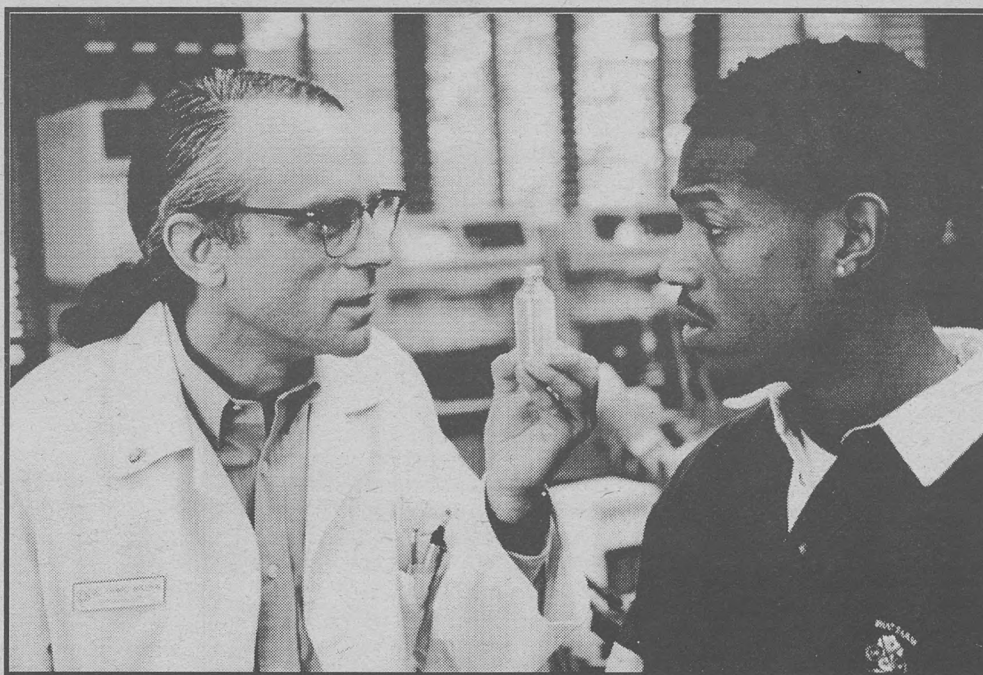
Comparisons to Eddie Murphy are not exaggerated — but Wayans' style of comedic pacing and irreverent showmanship blend his talents beyond rehashing old material.

While Wayans may be adept at creating original parodies, this story presents nothing new. *Senseless* tells the tale of Darryl Witherspoon, a college student having problems earning enough money to help support his family back home. So when he learns of a new science experiment that pays its participants, he is first to volunteer.

Darryl is given a drug designed to enhance all five of the senses. He is warned not to increase the dosage or the consequences could be severe. As per the Scriptwriting 101 handbook, Darryl proceeds to dismiss this warning, and the fun begins. At any give time, one of his five senses will completely disappear.



Marlon Wayans makes his name known beyond family relations with his talented performance in *Senseless*.



Darryl's (Marlon Wayans) plan to raise money for his family flounders when his frat boy nemesis becomes involved.

The film is directed by Penelope Spheeris, whose career is a mix of success — *Wayne's World* — and utter failure — *Black Sheep*. Here she lands somewhere in the middle, using a young cast to pull off a predictable story laced with fun gags and sophomoric comedy.

David Spade (*Tommy Boy*) is thrown into the mix as Darryl's frat boy nemesis. Tamara Taylor, best known for her previous work on "Party of Five," is delightful as the love interest. And heading the supporting cast is Matthew Lillard (*Scream*), who plays Darryl's strange-but-caring roommate with a fetish for body piercing. Lillard adds his own witty humor to the batter, mistaking his roommate's condition for a severe heroin addiction.

But the textbook story is just a backdrop for

the outrageous, and at times crude, situations Wayans meets. The film does not shy away from unconventional and seemingly obscene humor as Wayans finds himself in one embarrassing situation after another. From masturbation and bathroom jokes, to humor within the confines of the neighborhood sperm bank — almost no taboo is left unspoken.

It may make audience members cringe, but they will be laughing at the same time. *Senseless* is not a great film, but it is a great time at the movies. With the countless inane attempts at comedy from Hollywood these days, it is refreshing to see a new face giving his all just to make the audience laugh. In the end, isn't that what it's about anyway?

Senseless opens Friday.

Complex plot muddles understanding of film

HELDER GIL
WEEKEND WRITER

Sphere (Warner Brothers) might have been a perfectly rounded movie with no imperfections. But it's more of a polygon with a variety of sides, leaving the audience confused.

The movie starts off without any background. Psychologist Norman Goodman (Dustin Hoffman, *Wag the Dog*) is called by a U.S. government agency to fly to the middle of the ocean and assist with what he thinks is an airplane crash.

Instead of wreckage, he finds an assembled group of experts he recommended in a presidential report to be members of a contact team dealing with extraterrestrial life. The only problem is that the report is based on science fiction and Goodman's imagination.

The group includes Harry Adams (Samuel L. Jackson, *Jackie Brown*), a computer-fast mathematician and bio-

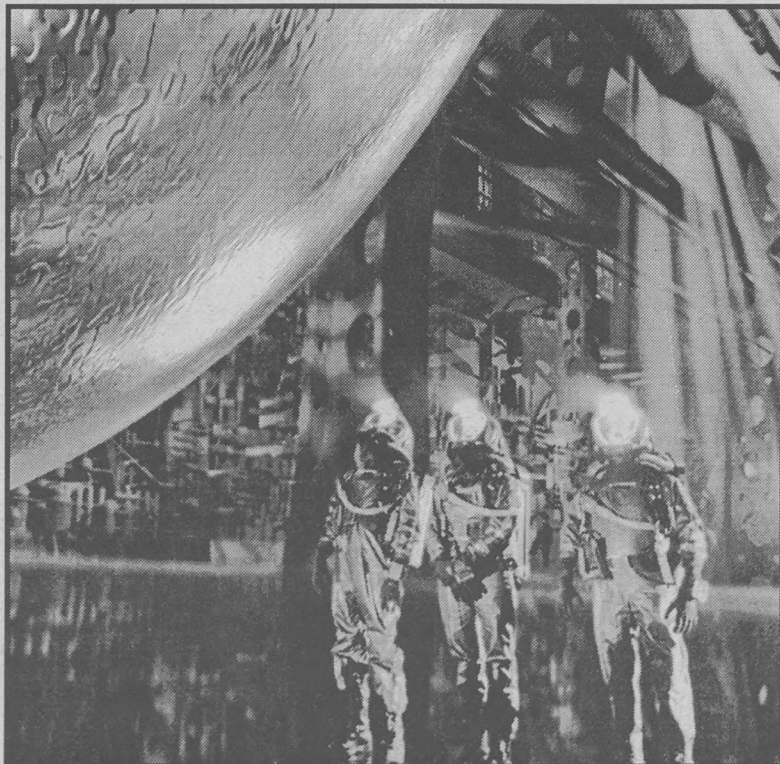
chemist Beth Halperin (Sharon Stone, *Casino*). Halperin also happens to be a former patient and bitter lover of Goodman. However, where one might have expected a predictable rekindling of romance, as well as nude scenes with Stone, neither are included.

While the movie starts off well enough, after the midpoint it becomes confusing. The audience is left wondering if what is occurring *actually* is occurring — or the result of the mysterious alien sphere. The characters themselves are not the brightest bulbs in the chandelier, either. For all the brilliance they supposedly possess, they miss lots of clues that would explain their situation.

The film ends on a positive, though cheesy, note. Though the world is safe from the potential danger of the sphere, the audience leaves not quite realizing what happened. The major problem for people who read Michael Crichton's book is that no movie can do it complete justice. People are better off saving a couple of bucks and reading the book instead.

Sphere is now playing.

Even Samuel Jackson, Sharon Stone and Dustin Hoffman can't save this movie from its deeply tangled plot.



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Having gone on Valentine's Day, the crowd may have been a bit different from normal – but it was comprised of mostly young, attractive and single men. The Bar Belle had to wait for a pool table for an hour, but it was well worth it. The prices for renting a table are reasonable and go by the hour and number of people shooting. The sign only has prices up to four people, so we cheated and sneaked in six. It's not difficult. We just had to rotate players.

The bar is set off Dupont Circle on 19th Street. And while it is in a funky part of town, the people are pretty straight-laced. Ties are found around necks at every turn. Some people wear jeans, and they are not uncomfortable. But in order to really fit in, a step or two up from kakhis would be best.

They have \$2 draft lights, which taste horrible the first two times, but by the third, the Bar Belle was happy enough with only having spent eight bucks – always tip, ladies! – and anything would have tasted fine. And surprisingly, it was really easy to get to the bar and get a drink. Being kind of off the beaten path, it is not a bar people go to just drink.

But that also makes it difficult to meet new people if one is not too forward. People come with friends and shoot pool, pausing for quick beer runs to the bar. It seems the best place to meet people is by the dart boards. More mingling goes on there.

However, it is not impossible to meet people. It is best to go with friends and buddy up to a table nearby. Be friendly and it's easy to make new, fun acquaintances.

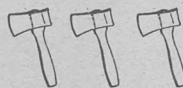
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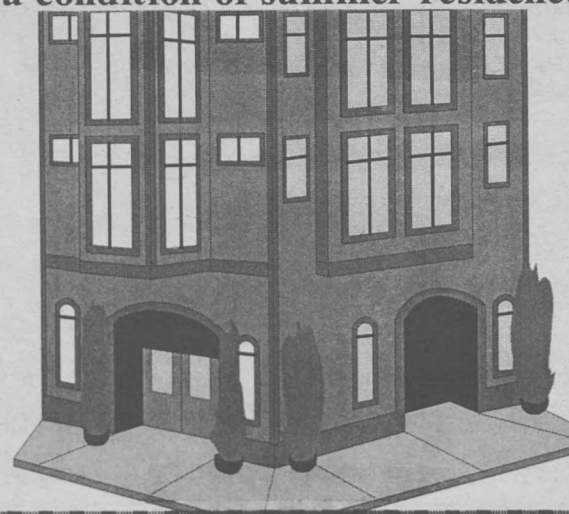
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WEEKEND

Film captures old themes with new energy

Spanish movie goes beyond Hollywood formula to explore new, fresh paths

DANIEL MARCUS
WEEKEND WRITER

A free ride — everybody wants one, but only a few chosen souls are lucky enough to get one. In Pedro Almodovar's *Live Flesh* or *Carne Tremula*, this idea is beautifully captured in the character of Victor Plaza (Liberto Rabal).

Rabal, surely destined to become the next Spanish sex-god in America, puts forth a deliciously hysterical and emotional performance as a wrongfully-convicted man, whose plan for redemption never quite materializes. Nevertheless, he has an incredible impact on the lives of those responsible for his jailing.

From the start of this very funny story, in which Victor's birth on a city bus entitles him to a lifetime of free bus rides, the laughs and the twists keep coming.

After Victor's birth in Madrid, the film jumps ahead 20 years where Victor, a pizza-delivery man, is on his way to a date with the girl of his dreams. Supposedly, he lost his virginity to her the week before, but that is debatable. The rich diplomat's daughter, Elena, does not even remember their one-night fling in the bathroom stalls.

Hurt, Victor sneaks up to her apartment to confront her and gets caught in a somewhat absurd showdown between himself, Elena, a drunk cop and another young, heroic police-

man. In the ensuing struggle, the young cop accidentally is shot and paralyzed. Victor is convicted of the crime and spends an awful three years in jail, reading the bible and practicing karate.

Upon his release, Victor immediately, through unforeseen and incredibly coincidental circumstances, becomes entangled in the lives of the people he sees as responsible for his imprisonment. The drunk cop and his cheating wife, and Elena — now married to the paralyzed cop — all are greatly changed by Victor's reentrance into their lives.

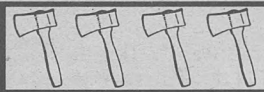
Victor, whose life has been anything but a free ride, finds redemption and hope in his new

life. Unable to follow through in his plan for revenge, he becomes a passive participant in the jumbled and downward-spiraling lives and relationships of the other characters.

This satirical drama deals with the problems of infidelity, love and hope in extremely bright and fresh ways. Victor shows the importance of letting go of the past in order to find the positive in the present. The dark, satirical elements combined with the brilliant turns of the plot make moments of clarity embraced by the "oohs" and "ahhs" of the audience.

Though the movie does use subtitles, they do not hinder the film. *Live Flesh* is far from the formulaic trash of Hollywood and instead, explores a new path that leads to its success. *Live Flesh is now playing.*

Hatchet Rating:



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You are flat broke. Lucky for you, your stupid-ass friends will support you all weekend so you can have a good time. Just try not to get sick on them during your celebration.

PISCES (Feb. 22-March 21)
You thought you were so tough walking in the rain without an umbrella, and now you're sick. You deserve it dumbass. Your roommate isn't going to cook you chicken soup and play mommy, so suck it up.

ARIES (March 22-April 21)
You better check your spring break plans. That great deal you thought you got is really a scam, and you just lost all your money. Nice job, idiot.

TAURUS (April 22-May 21)
The insensitive fool you are, you forgot Valentine's. Forget the little pride you have left and crawl back on your hands and knees. If s/he doesn't take you, get used to the idea of bachelor/ette-hood.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)
Thinking about the bar scene for the weekend? Think again. You really messed up your last test, and if you ever want to get out of this fine institution, you need to pass more than freshman advising.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)
You really thought that a secret admirer sent you those flowers. It was your parents. Who would spend money on your sorry ass besides those who have some obligation?

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)
You really need to reevaluate your life — or

in your case lack of. Your friends know that when you say your hanging out with your bitch on Fridays, you're really sitting around with your dog.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)

Your roommates hate you right now. Did you forget that they lived there too when you brought home that trashy guy/girl? They couldn't sleep because you were so loud. Start kissing ass — this time in a figurative way.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)

It's time to get over your last boy/girlfriend. The restraining

order you received wasn't a joke. If you don't stop acting psychotic, you'll end up in a home with Monica Lewinsky and Linda Tripp.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)

You need to realize that having cybersex doesn't make you not a virgin. Stop bragging to your friends about your sex life. They know it doesn't exist without a keyboard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

How long did you think it would take until your parents found out that you were kicked out of the dorm? Start going to the AA and NA meetings now, and they might admit that you're their child by May.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

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Advisers must give students useful guidance, not just check-off our requirements. TA's must be effective teachers and class sizes must be reduced. This is what Carrie Potter has stood for as a student leader and as chair of the SA Academic Affairs Committee. She will continue to make academics her top priority as SA President.

TUITION

Next year's tuition increase will be the lowest in a decade, thanks to increased activism by student leaders. Jesse Strauss, a founding member of Students Against Yearly Increases in Tuition (SAYIT), forced this year's SA to take a real stand against tuition. He also surveyed hundreds of students to ensure that the University budget reflected our priorities (ie. better technology & GWorld). Jesse will continue this activism as EVP.

NO MORE SA ELITISM

Students were outraged this year when Sen. Patrick Macmanus sponsored a bill to give the SA senate chair the power to throw ordinary students out of public SA meetings, and even call upon UPD force to do so (Senate Bill F97-4). Likewise, student organization leaders were furious when Macmanus supported a finance bill telling them exactly how to spend their money, dollar-for-dollar (\$97-1). Senators Carrie Potter and Jesse Strauss fought against and defeated these bills, and will put an end to this type of SA arrogance and elitism in the future.



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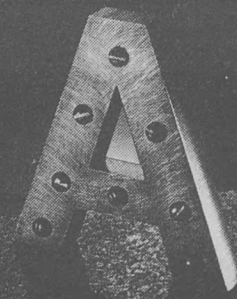
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GW to wire five halls

by **Becky Neilson**
News Editor

Five residence halls will be wired for cable and Internet by this fall, Residence Hall Association President Randy Bomze said Wednesday night.

An outside contractor will begin wiring JBKO, Guthridge, Munson, Strong and Fulbright halls the first week in March, Bomze said.

Room charges will increase 15 percent for students living in those residence halls next year, Bomze said, putting the cost of a spot in each hall at a little above \$6,000.

Bomze said she learned of the University's plan to wire the halls in a meeting earlier this week with David McElveen, associate director of stu-

dent and academic support administrative services.

Bomze said the wiring plan will give each room in the five halls cable and Internet access and will provide phone lines for each student - a similar set-up to the one in New Hall. Electrical upgrades also are included in the plan to give the buildings the capacity to handle an increased technological load.

Once the wiring is complete, the University may develop a system to allow students to forfeit access to the new technology, but Bomze said GW's current concern is wiring the halls - an issue students have stressed this year.

Bomze said workers will not enter residence hall rooms during spring break, final exams or midterms.

SMPA to offer master's

by **Seth Weinert**
Hatchet Staff Writer

The School of Media and Public Affairs will offer a graduate program this fall, thanks to approval by the University's Board of Trustees Friday.

The master's degree in media and public affairs will incorporate issues pertinent to politics, journalism and entertainment - three areas already addressed in SMPA undergraduate programs.

"It's taking the strength of our three programs and bringing it to the next level," said Suzanne Clarke, SMPA's coordinator of external relations.

The 36-credit hour graduate curriculum will focus on the relationship between the media and various government institutions. It also will explore the links between the press and education,

corporations and associations, according to the program's proposal.

The key aspects of the degree are its versatility, its applicability to a variety of careers and the opportunities it presents for further study, Clarke said.

Clarke and SMPA Director Jean Folkerts said GW's location in Washington - a center of political and media activity - will make the new program an attractive addition to the school and to the University.

"It's just a perfect fit for GW," Clarke said. "The program will sell itself."

The SMPA office will use its newly designed Web site to publicize the program to other universities, faculty contacts and graduate school fairs.

But despite the publicity, the program will remain relatively small, Folkerts said. She said she expects to admit only about 10 students this year.

SOUTHERN EXPOSURE

The George Washington University and Washington Jewish Week invite you to a forum celebrating the Southern Jewish experience with **Alfred Uhry** - the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright of "Driving Miss Daisy" and "The Last Night of Ballyhoo" - and **Eli Evans**, the author of the landmark history of Southern Jewry "The Provincials." Join us for a thought-provoking evening as Uhry and Evans discuss growing up Jewish in the South, the history of the region and its ongoing hold on them. Sandee Brawarsky, book critic for Jewish Week, will moderate the forum.



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ELI EVANS

Eli N. Evans, born and raised in Durham, NC, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Yale Law School. He is the author of "Judah P. Benjamin: The Jewish Confederate" and "The Lonely Days Were Sundays: Reflections of a Jewish Southerner." He is currently president of the Charles H. Revson Foundation and lives in New York City.



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GW students strike balance between work and studies

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least one out-of-classroom experience during their undergraduate years. Two out of three students had at least one paying job, one in three held an internship and two in five volunteer.

Beil said one purpose of the report is to give faculty members and prospective students a clearer profile of the typical GW student – a student who is atypical at other universities.

Only 16 percent of the students surveyed had not worked or participated in any experiential learning activity while enrolled at GW, according to the report.

Balancing act

Flick, who has interned at the National Zoo since September, is an example of the “highly motivated student GW attracts ... students who want to make the most of GW and their Washington experience,” Beil said.

The report broke down the weekly schedules of students like Flick, who balance a full-time class schedule, membership in student organizations and internships.

During a typical week, an undergraduate student will spend 54 to 59 hours attending classes, studying and working at a part- or half-time internship or volunteer job, according to the study.

And students are more active than ever before. Since 1991, when GW conducted a similar survey, students have crammed even more into already tight schedules.

A comparison of the 1991 and 1997 studies shows the largest increase in participation has been in internships – the percentage of students who interned during the course of their undergraduate years at GW increased from 23 percent in 1991 to 31 percent in 1996.

That statistic could explain why students in the survey said they spend an average of 15 hours a week – about two hours a day – studying for a full course load.

In its 1997 ratings of American universities, The Princeton Review reported that figure as “the lowest in the nation,” ranking GW as the number two party school in the country. The Princeton Review report said the lack of time spent on academics reaffirms GW’s “reputation as a party school and (raises) the question of how demanding the coursework is.”

But Beil said GW’s ranking “(wasn’t because we) were partying. It’s because we’re working.”

GW’s study and The Princeton Review’s report both found GW students dedicate most of their time to extracurricular activities. But the GW report found these activities were mostly work-related commitments, not social functions.

After The Princeton Review announced its rankings, concern about the impact of extracurricular activities on students’ academic pursuits surfaced within the University community, Beil said.

But she said GW’s top 50-ranking in the *U.S. News & World Report* ratings refuted The Princeton Review’s findings.

All work and no play?

Beil said the report raised con-

cerns that opportunities to work in the city are detracting from the “intellectual atmosphere” of GW.

But junior Jason McKellar disagreed.

McKellar interns 15-20 hours a week at the Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus, his second internship since he came to GW. Last year he interned for Republican Rep. Bob Inglis (R-S.C.).

McKellar said individual students must strike the right balance to meet academic and extracurricular goals and still have fun.

“Students are probably learning more from their internships than, for instance, reading Thucydides. That’s not going to help you get a job,” McKellar said. “Being able to say, through work experience, that you have the skills (employers) need is going to help a student more.”

The University’s report also said jobs enhance students’ communication, decision-making, time management and teamwork skills.

But Beil said the report’s findings support some administrators’ concerns that the suit-and-tie subculture of internships and part-time jobs may take a toll on GW’s “intellectual life.”

“I think anyone who says that out-of-class experiences detracts from the intellectual life at GW is out of touch with the student body,” McKellar said.

“(Involvement) gives students a broader perspective and stimulates classroom discussion. Instead of taking away from the student’s intellectual life, it adds to it,” he said.

But Flick, who plans to continue her internship at the zoo again next year, said her academics have suffered at times because of her commitments at the zoo.

“This year I scheduled my classes around my internship ... (but) next semester my priority is going to have to be schoolwork,” she said. “I’m gaining a lot of experience, but it definitely detracts from my studying time.”

“I’m there at least 15 hours a week ... I could definitely spend that time studying,” Flick said. “But it’s a valuable experience that’s worth it if I can still fit my studies in.”

Stressed out

Staff members at the University Counseling Center say the stress level is high among GW students.

Finding paid employment was a major concern of GW students, many of whom help to financially support their educations. Twice as many students worked for pay as did non-paid work like internships or volunteer jobs, according to the report.

“As tuition increases, students need more ways to earn extra money,” Beil said.

But sophomore Jessica Schoen said she wanted the best of both worlds. So Schoen took a paid administrative assistant position with a financial consulting firm last week where she receives internship-caliber training and earns money for school.

“The internship experience was the most important part for me because I need experience before I go out into the working world. But I wouldn’t have had time to get a regular paying job to help pay for school too,” she said.

Students’ Grades and Time Commitments by Type of Experience: Fall 1996

Working
Hard
or
Hardly
Working?

graphic by Margaret Magee

Out-of-class Experience	Average Hours Spent Per Week				
	GPA	Studying	Working	Extracurricular Activities	Total
Voluntary Service	3.36	18.55	7.18	9.15	34.88
Co-op	3.33	17.41	19.74	7.54	44.69
Internship	3.24	14.37	14.90	6.93	36.20
Job: Off campus	3.20	14.02	19.02	4.93	35.60
Job: On campus	3.19	14.92	14.09	6.60	37.97
None	3.15	14.92	0	6.17	21.09

Source: GW’s Office of Enrollment Research and Retention

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Friday

MT vs. West Virginia-1 p.m.
B at William & Mary-2 p.m.
SD at A-10 Championships*
G vs. Rhode Island-7 p.m.

Saturday

B at William & Mary-1 p.m.
WBB at Rhode Island-2 p.m.
WT at Marshall Quad
SD at A-10 Championships*

Sunday

B at William & Mary-1 p.m.
MBB vs. Temple-2 p.m.
G at Towson Invit.-2 p.m.
WT at Marshall Quad

* at Buffalo, NY
B-baseball
G-gymnastics

MBB-men's basketball
MT-men's tennis
SD-swimming & diving

WBB-women's basketball
WT-women's tennis

Young GW baseball team hopes to mature quickly in 1998 season

by Dustin Gouker

Sports Editor

When a baseball team loses its best pitcher and its best hitter, the immediate future can't look too bright.

The 1998 GW baseball team hopes it will be able to fill the shoes of Matt Williams and Troy Allen, the ace pitcher and leading power hitter from last year's squad.

"Losing them means some of the younger players are going to have to step up for us," GW head coach Tom Walter said of his team, which has just two seniors on its roster. "I think some of the freshmen and some of our upperclassmen can fill the void."

A young pitching staff will have to cope with the loss of Williams, who transferred to George Mason after the 1997 season. He posted the Atlantic 10's fifth best earned run average and went 7-5 for a GW team that went 21-33 overall and 9-12 in the A-10.

The top returning hurlers for the Colonials are sophomore right-hander Ron Christie, junior right-hander Ari Zagaris and junior left-hander Tom Baginski, who posted a 4.44 ERA in 21 appearances last season.

In addition, five freshmen all will pitch in some capacity for GW this season. Walter says left-hander Adam Belicic and right-hander Bryan Beggs could work their way into the starting rotation as soon as the upcoming series with the College of William & Mary.

"We definitely lack experience, but the young players will be able to adjust, I think," Walter said. "After a month, our young guys aren't going to be young any more."

While the pitching staff is quite young and inexperienced, the infield is not. Junior second baseman Mike Roberts, junior first baseman Joe Beichert and sophomore shortstop Ryan Dacey should provide the backbone of a solid infield. Dacey batted a team-high .341 for the Colonials as a freshman last season.

"We know what we are going to get in the infield," Walter said. "That is our strength."

The outfield will have to deal with the loss of Allen, who hit a GW record 20 home runs, drove in 54 runs and batted .316 last season - and now is part of the Atlanta Braves organization. The addition of centerfielder Tony Brown, who most likely will bat lead off for GW this season, should

Baseball at a glance:

Coach:

Tom Walter, second year

1996-'97 record:

21-33, 9-12 A-10

Top returnees:

Thomas Baginski (pitcher),
Ryan Dacey (shortstop),
Mike Roberts (second base)

Top newcomers:

Tony Brown (centerfield),
Eric Mitchell (catcher), Nate
Nanzer (catcher)

Top departures:

Troy Allen (outfielder, drafted by Atlanta Braves), Matt
Williams (pitcher, transferred to George Mason)

Key games:

Mar. 21-22 vs. Virginia
Tech, Apr. 25-26 vs. Xavier

help the depth in the outfield.

In the Atlantic 10, Walter said he feels Xavier and Virginia Tech are the teams to beat, though he believes his team can contend in the conference if things progress well early in the season.

"This is definitely a rebuilding year, but at the same time if these young guys come along, we could be able to put together a winning season," Walter said.

GW baseball loses three to Tulane

Colonials open season with slow start

by Dustin Gouker

Sports Editor

The GW baseball team got off to a shaky start last weekend, dropping every game in its season-opening three-game set to Tulane University at Turchin Stadium in New Orleans, La.

The Colonials (0-3) were outscored 42-4 by the Green Wave (3-0) in the three games and managed just 18 hits in 27 innings of play.

GW pitching also helped Tulane's offense. Colonial pitchers hit five Tulane players and gave them 23 walks.

"We walked too many people and there were too many hit batsmen," GW head coach Tom Walter said. "When almost 10 people a game are reaching base with free passes, that means trouble."

The Colonials are back in action this week when they travel to the College of William & Mary for a three-game series. Walter has higher hopes for the upcoming set of games.

"We can definitely go in and win all three if we play well," Walter said. "Realistically I think we should win two out of three."

Tulane 16, GW 1

GW pitching allowed Tulane to score 15 earned runs in the first five innings of the second game of a doubleheader Saturday.

Colonial starting pitcher Ron Christie (0-1) allowed eight runs and seven hits in three and two-thirds innings of work. Bryan Beggs, who came in to relieve Christie, didn't fare much better. He gave up seven runs on six hits in just one and one-third innings. Tulane led 8-1 heading into the bottom of the fifth when it touched up Beggs for seven runs in the inning to take a 15-1 lead.

Craig Brown, Jason Sparks and Andy Cannizaro all knocked in three runs for the Green Wave, while Paul Boudreaux went a perfect 4-for-4 at the plate.

GW relievers Clint Sell and Rollie Corden were able to shut down Tulane in the final three innings - holding the opposition to just one earned run. But it was too little too late for the Colonials.

Junior first baseman Joe Beichert provided the only consistent offense

for GW in the game. He went 3-for-4 and knocked in GW's only run.

Tulane 17, GW 3

Tulane scored 11 runs in the first three innings to blow GW away early in the first of two games Saturday.

GW starter Ari Zagaris (0-1) was shelled for 11 runs on nine hits in three innings of work. GW's defense, which committed four errors in the game, didn't help Zagaris, though, as just six of the 11 runs were earned.

The Green Wave got to reliever Scott Shirley for six more runs in fifth inning before GW got on the board.

Second baseman Mike Roberts, designated hitter Cassidy Smith and leftfielder Adam Belicic each had two hits for a GW offense that managed to score three meaningless runs late in the game.

Tulane 9, GW 0

The Colonials recorded just one hit against Tulane pitching as they lost their season opener to the Green Wave Friday.

GW was able to stay close against Tulane early in the game, but the Green Wave exploded with a six-run fifth inning to ensure the victory.

After giving up two runs in the first inning, Colonial starter Thomas Baginski (0-1) settled down and shut Tulane out in the next three innings. Baginski started the fifth and was not able to retire any of the five batters he faced. He ended up responsible for all but one of the six runs that crossed the plate in the fifth inning.

Tulane attempted to aid GW's hitting woes by committing eight errors, but the Colonials were not able to turn any of those opportunities into runs.

Third baseman Ted Curre had GW's only base hit.

Tulane 17, GW 3

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Tulane 9, GW 0

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Pitchers: GW-Tom Baginski, Adam Belicic (5th). T-Alex Lontayo, Josh Bobbitt (6th), Todd Ardoin (9th). WP-Lontayo. LP-Baginski. SO-BB: Baginski (6-6), Belicic (2-1), Lontayo (6-3), Bobbitt (5-1), Ardoin (0-0). 2B: Jason Sparks (T). 3B: Brian Hughes (T). HR: none. SB: Hughes (T).

Gymnasts lose at N.C. State

GW finishes third of three teams at invitational meet

by Dustin Gouker

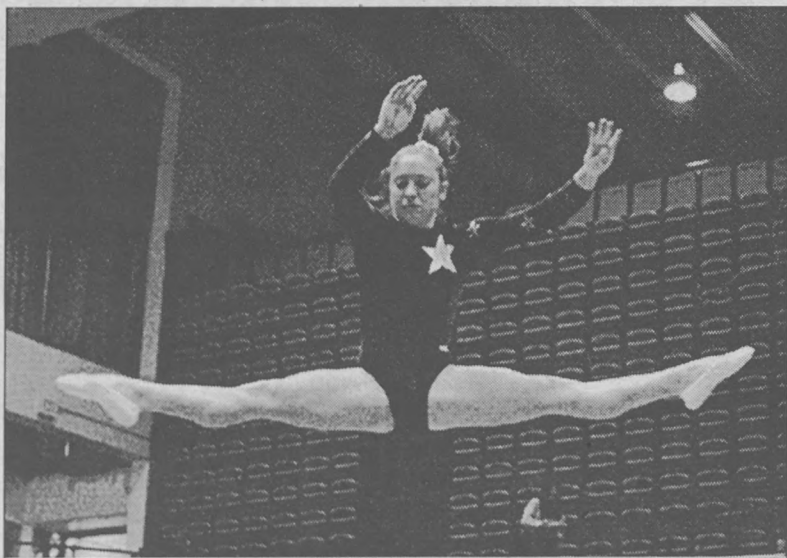
Sports Editor

GW was narrowly beaten out for second place in the three-team N.C. State Hearts Invitational Saturday at Reynolds Coliseum.

The Colonial women finished with a team score of 189.650, but the University of North Carolina finished less than a point ahead of GW with a total of 190.450 to take second place. North Carolina State University won the competition with a final team score of 194.325.

GW started off with a strong performance on the vault. Senior co-captain Alexis Hrynko won the event with 9.85 and was the only individual not from N.C. State to win an event at the meet. The Colonial women finished the first rotation with a score of 48.225. That total was good enough for second place at the time, just two-tenths of a point behind N.C. State.

The success of the Colonial women was short-lived, though. After a team score of just 45.125 on the uneven parallel bars, GW fell more than three points behind N.C. State and almost two points behind UNC. Three Colonial women registered scores on the bars of less



Josh Prezant/Hatchet photographer

The GW women's gymnastics team finished a close third out of three teams at the N.C. State Hearts Invitational last weekend.

than 9.0.

With its hopes of winning the meet all but gone, GW came back strong with a solid performance on the floor exercise, and nearly caught the Tar Heels for second place. Freshmen Stephanie Goldsmith and Darden Wilee, and sophomore Erica Lewy all scored better than 9.7 in the final rotation of the meet.

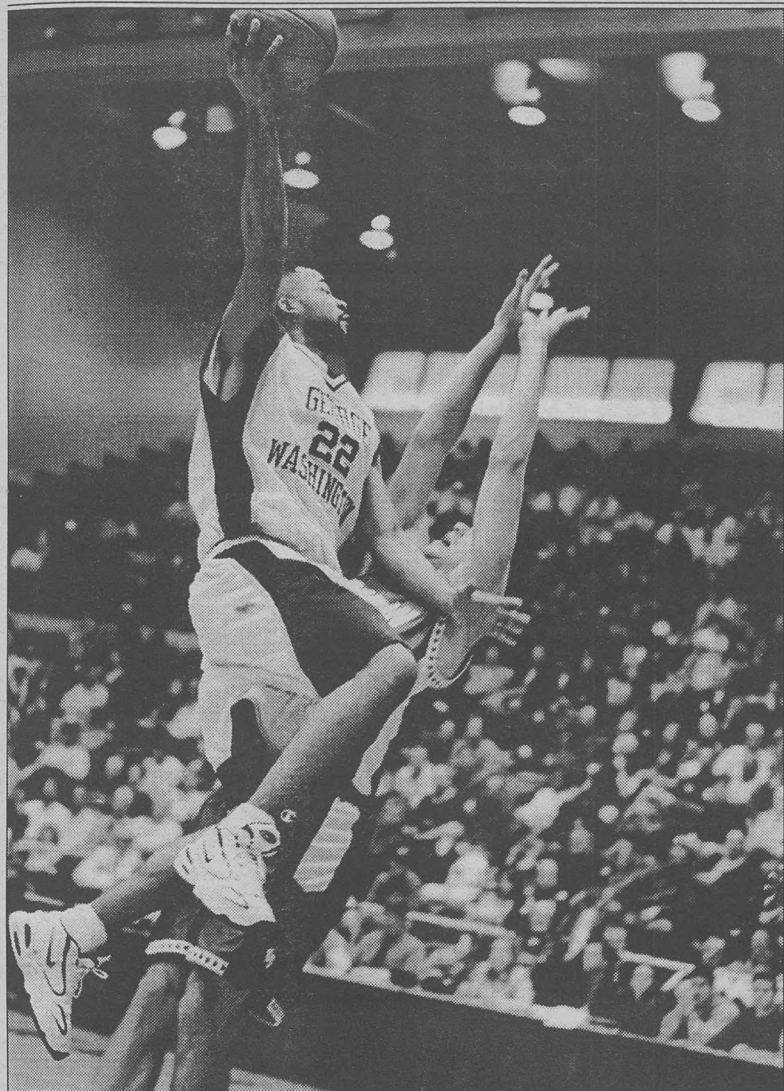
In the individual all-around competition, Wilee finished in third place with a total of 38.55, less than three-tenths of a point behind all-around winner Stephanie Wall of N.C. State. Hrynko finished fourth with a score of 38.225.

The Colonial gymnasts return to the Smith Center Friday at 7 p.m. for a meet with Rhode Island.

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Darin Green and the GW men's basketball team will attempt to break a three-game losing streak Sunday against Temple.

Top high school recruit Gadzuric to visit GW Sunday

by Dave Mann
Sports Editor

Dan Gadzuric, considered one of the top high school centers in the country, will be at Sunday's GW men's basketball game against Temple as part of a recruiting visit, according to Gadzuric's high school coach Steve Metz.

The GW Athletic Department also confirmed that Gadzuric — a 6-11, 250-pound native of the Netherlands — will visit GW Sunday.

GW will be the fourth school Gadzuric officially has visited. He already made trips to UCLA, Kansas and Kentucky.

Gadzuric is attending Governor Dummer Academy in Byfield, Mass. and was not heavily recruited until he attended ABCD Camp last summer. Gadzuric caught the attention of college scouts at the camp, averaging 12.5 points and eight rebounds per game against some of the best high school players in the nation.

Metz said Mike Jarvis and the GW coaching staff heard about Gadzuric while in the Netherlands recruiting current GW sophomore forward Francisco de Miranda. Jarvis suggested Gadzuric leave the Netherlands and attend Governor Dummer.

"I've known Mike Jarvis since his days coaching in Boston and he suggested Dan come here," Metz said.

Gadzuric has other connections to GW. He and de Miranda are friends — and Metz said GW's history with international players, particularly centers, could attract Gadzuric

to GW.

"This isn't just a courtesy call," Metz said of the recruiting visit. "We wouldn't come down if he wasn't serious about attending GW. International players have certain needs, and the school and the coaching staff is experienced with international players. Also, D.C. is an international city. These are things I think would be attractive to Dan, but each school has pros and cons."

"(Choosing a college) is very difficult for a person coming from another country," Gadzuric told USA Today. "You don't know about the colleges. You have to study what they have to offer and that is a long process."

Gadzuric averaged 24 points, 15.6 rebounds and 6.7 blocks last season for Governor Dummer. Metz said Gadzuric has a strong inside game, but is surprisingly athletic.

"For a guy 6-11, he's a terrific athlete. He's very strong, but agile, has good hands and runs the floor well."

Gadzuric's post moves are not fluid Metz said, because Gadzuric only has been playing basketball for five years. Time will improve him, Metz added.

"His upside is huge," Metz said. "He'll improve dramatically his freshman year in college."

Metz said he thinks Gadzuric will visit one more college before deciding on a school in late March. In addition to GW, UCLA, Kentucky and Kansas, USA Today reported that Connecticut, Wake Forest and California also are recruiting Gadzuric.

GW swimming and diving teams set for Atlantic 10 Championships

by Anaklara Hering
Hatchet Sports Reporter

The GW's men's and women's swimming and diving teams start competition today at the 1998 Atlantic 10 Conference Championships in Buffalo, NY.

The GW teams have come close to winning the crown in recent years, and this year the men's and women's teams will try to take the championship away from St. Bonaventure on the women's side and Massachusetts on the men's side.

A strong three days of competition in Buffalo may allow some of GW's best swimmers, divers and relay teams to move into the next tier of competition — the NCAA Championships, according to assistant coach Dan Rhinehart.

"(Our swimmers) have set definite goals, and they made them possible in the middle of the season, so we're pretty excited about what that could mean for the (A-10) Championships,"

Rhinehart said.

Closing out its season at 8-3, the men's team boasts 1997 A-10 Most Outstanding Male Swimmer Tim Champney, and 1997 All-Conference selections Rush Taylor and Juan Bocanegra. The women's team, which finished with a 7-2 record this season, is led by last season's team MVP Connie Shelton.

"We've had a really good season for both the men's and women's teams," Rhinehart said. "(Head coach Marc Hagen) keeps the (swimmers) focused mentally. He has a central theme of getting them to do their best."

The stakes get raised when the competition moves from a dual-meet format to a conference championship, Rhinehart said. When eight teams join the competition, point distribution runs by a different system.

The overall first-place team will be the squad with the highest accumulation of points, which can be gained with a strong accumulation of first-, second- and third-place finishes. The

team with a few star swimmers will not necessarily win the overall title.

"With all eight teams there it's going to make for some interesting swims," Rhinehart said.

Champney and Taylor both registered consideration times in last year's championships — one step short of the automatic qualifying times needed to reach the NCAA Championships.

On Tuesday, when the teams boarded their flight to Buffalo, Champney said competitors' minds were on anything but the championships. But he said today would be the time to start focusing "and get (their) minds on winning."

"Everyone has their own way of focusing because in the water, it's an individual sport. I just try to have fun with it. I laugh a lot," said Champney, who is the team captain and holds eight GW records.

Champney said even though swimming is an individual sport, GW still focuses on teamwork.

"The team concept is definitely there," he said.

Up
Next

George Washington men
vs.
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Smith Center, Sunday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m.

The Colonials will try to break their three-game losing streak against Temple Sunday. Consecutive losses to Rhode Island, Dayton and Xavier have dropped GW in the polls and the Atlantic 10. GW (20-6, 9-4 A-10) reached its highest ranking in 42 years at number 17 in last week's Associated Press Poll, but fell to 24th this week. The Colonials are in a second-place tie with Xavier in the A-10 West Division, trailing Dayton by a half game. Temple (17-6, 10-3 A-10) is second in the A-10 East behind Massachusetts. Temple is coming off a 50-42 win over St. Joseph's and a 69-67 win over Rhode Island. The Owls play at St. Bonaventure Thursday night. Temple is led by its backcourt of Pepe Sanchez and Rasheed Brokenborough. Sanchez's 5.11 assists per game is second in the conference, and he leads the A-10 in steals, averaging 3.95 per game. The Owls are led in the frontcourt by forward Lamont Barnes (13.9 ppg and 8.0 rpg). Once again, John Chaney's match-up zone defense has been effective for the Owls. Temple is the highest-rated defensive team in the A-10, holding opponents to 60 points per game.

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